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Beat The Rush

Please give us your copy on Mondays or at least by noon on Tuesdays. We are trying not to get swamped Tuesday nights.

By Close Vote Council Approves Removal of Several Pear Trees

by Sandy Smith

At its January 22 meeting, the Greenbelt City Council approved a citizen's request for removal of Bradford pear trees from the city's right-of-way along the street in front of his home, approved initial plans for the Springhill Lake Recreation Center expansion, and moved ahead to purchase equipment for the red light camera program. A contract to review the city's classification and compensation system was also approved.

Tree Removal

Three problem Bradford pear trees in the front of Donnie Wolfe's home in Lakewood were slated for removal in a close 3-2 vote by council. The trees had been planted by Wolfe after obtaining permission from the city to do so. In a lengthy discussion council sought a compromise between Wolfe's position that the trees with dropping limbs posed a hazard to people and property and the city staff's and Tree Advisory Committee's position that the trees should be pruned to try to eliminate the problem. Virtually every aspect of the situation and possible solutions were discussed.

Wolfe presented expert opinion from the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the National Arboretum that pruning the pear tree would not sufficiently correct the

problem of lost limbs. He said that the Bradford pear tree had this inherent characteristic, which developed over the estimated 25-year life span of the tree, and that in this instance the only solution—but one he personally regretted—was to remove the trees. He offered to replace those trees with any that the city would recommend.

Bill Phelan, superintendent of Operations for the Public Works Department, countered with his expert opinion. He said that pruning, crown raising (eliminating lower limbs) and finally bolting or bracing limbs had been successful and had permitted the Bradford Pears to remain in various parts of the city. He advocated trying to preserve these trees if possible because he felt that the pear trees had good qualities as street trees. They are much hardier than many other types of trees, he said, and are able to resist salt and other road chemicals.

Representatives from the Advisory Committee on Trees agreed with him and had recommended keeping the trees. Chair Charles Jackman and member Jennifer Sager had inspected the trees against objective criteria and felt that they were healthy, according to the objective assessment they had made. Sager indicated that all trees might pose

some type of risk, such as fallen leaves in wet weather—and that all trees could not be eliminated, but that precautions to reduce those dangers were important. "I thought it was our job to save trees," she stated.

Then the council weighed in. Councilmember Thomas White remembered when the Bradford pear "could do no wrong," then problems were discovered that led to their removal in some sites, such as Roosevelt Center. He felt that Wolfe had documented real hazards and that his agreement to replace trees which were no longer working in their current setting would restore the streetscape.

White argued that this situation was "Roosevelt Center in miniature," where a judicious replacement had to be made. He stated that removing trees in this instance, in his opinion, did not set a precedent for taking this action city-wide.

Councilmember Edward Putens suggested a phased-in approach, first trying pruning and then removal if finally necessary. Eventually he joined White in agreeing that the trees prevented the homeowner from the enjoyment of his property.

Mayor Judith Davis thought that pruning would not work in this situation. The trees are

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Council Agrees to Meeting With State on Land Buy

by Virginia Beauchamp

To go or not to go—that was the question at the Greenbelt City Council's worksession on Wednesday, January 24. This was a meeting, as Mayor Judith Davis described it, "to discuss a meeting."

After considerable negotiation with the office of Governor Parris Glendening, which the Assistant to the City Manager David Moran described in excruciating detail, a possible date had been arrived at for council to meet with three members of the governor's staff—Thursday, February 1. The meeting would take place in Annapolis, which the governor's staff wanted, but in the evening, which council required because, as Moran had noted, they had other, full-time jobs.

The meeting's purpose was to inform council about terms of the state's agreement to purchase for \$10 million 75 acres of environmentally sensitive land on the A. H. Smith property. It also offered an opportunity for council to clarify the city's position concerning the potential development of what has been called the Metroland site, including the land in question. (The Smith property, located between Beltway Plaza and the railroad tracks, and the Metro station land together constitute Metroland.)

On first learning about the state's agreement to buy the land, the city had sent the governor a letter, dated December 20, applauding the acquisition. At the same time the letter expressed "concerns about the process and the agreement." In the first place, the city's first knowledge about this action was derived from an agenda item of the State Board of Public Works—not from a "notice to any of the interested parties"; that is, the three adjacent cities, and Citizens to Conserve and Restore Indian Creek (CCRIC).

While a mandatory dedication of 36 more acres by the developer would bring the total of preserved land to 111 acres, the city council, as expressed in the letter, believes that something closer to 145 acres is desirable. In addition, the city council disputes as a condition of the acquisition requiring the developer to "buy back" the property if no conceptual development plan is approved by January 2003. Apart from any interests in commercial development, the land merits acquisition, the city council believes, because of its significance as part of the Indian Creek/Anacostia River/Potomac River watershed.

Meeting Problems

Council's hesitation about
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Positive Thinking, Some Hard Work May Help Café Survive

by Dorothy Sucher

Earl Kepler's phone has been "ringing off the hook" in the last couple of weeks, ever since a News Review story broke the news that the New Deal Café in the heart of Old Greenbelt was in danger of closing at the end of the month, due to financial problems.

Why the phone calls? "Everybody wants to help raise money," said Kepler, a member of the board of the non-profit, cooperative café in Roosevelt Center, which is also a live music venue. Kepler has agreed to chair a fundraising committee.

He's an enthusiastic guy, and that's what the job will take, for the New Deal is reportedly in the hole for about \$50,000—much of it start-up costs from last April, when the undercapitalized café moved from the Greenbelt Community Center to its present location, increasing its business hours. In addition, there are vendor bills and, most pressing, taxes that must be paid—not to mention a couple of private loans.

Road to Recovery

Kepler, who for several years has chaired Greenbelt's New Year's Eve celebration, is an optimist by nature. "I feel we're on the road to recovery," he said on

Sunday. "This board really wants to fix the problems. We're taking the bylaws seriously. We have a responsibility to make sure the New Deal Café stays in good shape."

There do seem to be signs of movement in the right direction. The board and Marcia Voigt, the treasurer since October, have now received from Pat Brent, president of the organization since 1998, a more detailed breakdown of the financial situation than had reportedly been available before.

Voigt has already put in place a new system of daily accounting at the café, to give a clearer picture of ongoing operations. In addition, she has written to the Internal Revenue Service and the State of Maryland proposing to pay taxes owed by the café in installments. She also plans to contact vendors.

Voigt stated that operations at the café "may break even in January, but that doesn't allow for paying back any of our debt. I'm hoping we won't be adding to our debt, but I still have my fingers crossed on that."

Pro Bono Lawyer

Kelby Brick, a lawyer specializing in association law, has agreed to provide the organization with legal advice on a pro

bono basis. Brick ran for the Greenbelt City Council in 1999. Although defeated, he has remained active in the community. The board had been seeking someone willing to provide legal advice for some time. They are still looking for an accountant who would be available to help out.

Kitchen Problems

Most of the café's customers are probably unaware that the kitchen in the new location is in need of major improvement. In fact, cooking facilities are limited to a small grill. Anything larger, requiring an oven, is still cooked in the "certified kitchen" at the Community Center, for which the

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What Goes On

Mon. Feb. 5, 2-8 p.m.
Blood drive, Community Center

8 p.m. City Council Worksession with Golden Triangle, Municipal Building

Wed., Feb. 7, 8 p.m.
City Council Worksession with Beltsville Ag. Research Center, Community Center

Thur., Feb. 8, 7:30 p.m.
GHI Board Meeting, Hamilton Place

ACE and PTAs Share Successes and Concerns

by Mary Moien

Greenbelt's Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) hosted a meeting with leaders of local school Parent Teacher Associations (PTAs) on January 22. The meeting was called to give PTA officers a chance to meet both ACE members and PTA officers from other Greenbelt schools. PTA representatives from Greenbelt, Springhill Lake, and Magnolia Elementary Schools, and Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) met with many members of the ACE committee. ACE chair, Leta Mach, asked the PTA representatives to share problems and issues with the group, which advises the city council.

Reading Club

To start the meeting Mach described some of the current ACE activities. She commented that the Reading Club has been very successful in some of the schools, especially at Greenbelt Elementary and Springhill Lake Elementary. Children are encouraged to read books and prepare a written review. Some of the children have been taped and can be seen on the Greenbelt cable channel. The city has also produced a tape that will be shown in the near future at a legislative breakfast in Annapolis.

There will be a reception on February 27 at 7 p.m. in the Community Center for parents, students and the community to celebrate the success of the Reading Club. Both the written and taped reviews will be shown.

Awards

Mach also described the two annual award ceremonies. The first is the Educator's Award ceremony at which a staff member from each Greenbelt school is honored. Their schools select the award winners. This year's ceremony will be at the March 12 city council meeting. On May 14, two students from each school will be recognized for their outstanding contributions to the school. The PTA can be involved by helping to honor the winners at the school.

ERHS Overcrowding

Allen Elliott, Parent, Teacher, Student Association (PTSA) president at ERHS, raised the first school issue of the evening. This issue, which had also been the topic of a recent ERHS PTSA meeting, involved overcrowding at the school and ways that it can be addressed. Elliott said that the school system has already placed a moratorium on special transfers to the school.

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agreeing to meet was in part based on the requirement that it take place in private, since this was public business of two public entities. Moran explained, however, that the governor and his staff are exempt from regulations requiring open meetings. He quoted Richard Castaldi, the governor's liaison to municipalities, that "they wanted to brief us on some sensitive stuff."

Castaldi, a former mayor of Greenbelt, will be one of three staff members in attendance. The other two are Miss Chang, and a special assistant to the Acting Deputy Chief of Staff, Steve Cassard. Chang said that it will be made very clear to council which information that will be provided at the meeting must be kept confidential and which could be made public.

On the basis that the meeting should be considered a "briefing" and a chance to learn why certain conditions had been put into the agreement, all members of council agreed that it was important to attend.

"It's also an opportunity for us to provide them with our areas of concern and questions," said Councilmember Thomas White. Council asked the city staff present at the work session to prepare packets containing all city correspondence concerning the Metroland development. It would be a chance to correct erroneous views on the part of the state representatives that Greenbelt was simply opposed to development on the site. In fact, Greenbelt supports development there — but that it should be transit-oriented and not focused on bringing more cars into the area.

"It also gives us a chance," White added, "to stress the importance of involving the community—or there will be trouble. They mustn't cut the public out. Currently it looks like the governor is the patron of a developer. We can also stress our opposition to public funding for ramps," he added, implying that proposed ramps from the Capital Beltway would primarily benefit the developer, not the public.



Letter

Good News

I have good news! The service in the New Deal Café has really improved, so I urge those patrons who may have thought they "don't have the time" to enjoy healthy food in a congenial atmosphere, to give it another try. It would be a shame if the café had to close, just because of some initial (and overcome!) shortcomings.

I had a chat with manager Terri Rutledge, who thought it may be a good idea, in case your time is really in short supply, to mention this when you place your order. Also, she can always use some more helpers. So, if you would like to spend some of your time in the hospitality workforce, let her know!

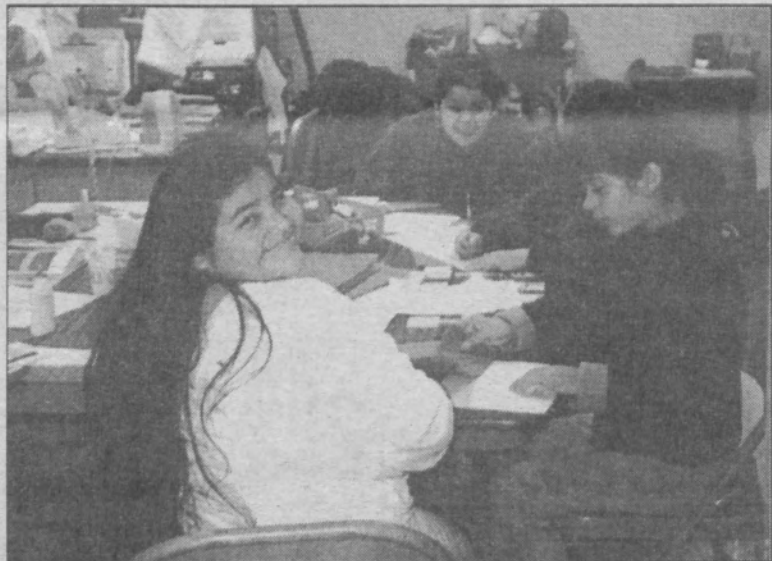
Hoping to meet you soon at the New Deal Café.

Leonie Penney

Urban Cartoonist Lewis Exhibits

Visit an "Urban Cartoonist: A Roger K. Lewis Retrospective" at the Parents Association Gallery in the Stamp Student Union at the University of Maryland through February 16. The exhibit is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

Lewis will give a gallery talk on Friday, February 2 from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. A reception for the artist will follow. For more information, call 301-314-8493.



Rocio Melendez, Pedro Delcid, and Janeth Solorzano work on the "lifesavers committee."

-photo by Wendy Deemer

Latin American Poets To Be Discussed

The Poetry Plus discussion group will meet on Saturday, February 10, 10:30 to noon at the Greenbelt Library to talk about the work of Latin American poets.

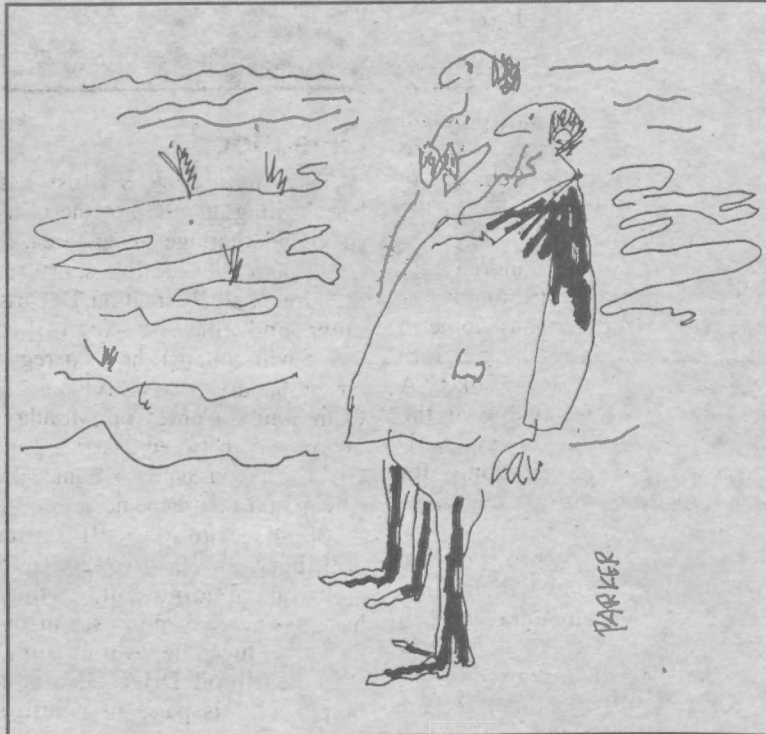
Help for El Salvador

by Mary Moien

The recent earthquake in El Salvador hit some of the sixth graders hard at Magnolia Elementary School. Six of the sixth graders are from that country and some had relatives that had not been heard from since the quake. With the assistance of Wendy Deemer, school counselor, and Terry Dolan, the ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) teacher, these six girls and boys formed the "lifesavers committee." The committee spearheaded an effort to collect toiletries, disposable diapers and other needed goods to send to El Salvador.

The "lifesavers" included Pedro Delcid, Rocio Melendez, Hiris Sanchez, Janeth Solorzano, Sifredo Solorzano, and Brenda Sorto. The collection was also an academic project as the students put up a bulletin board, made flags, and looked up information on El Salvador on the Internet. Greenbelt resident Annie Haber, the ESOL parent liaison staff at Magnolia, searched for quite a while to identify a location that was collecting the El Salvador goods. Last week, a whole carload of donations was taken to St. Camillus Catholic Church for shipping to Central America.

The Old Curmudgeon



"I'll take 10 million dollars for this undevelopable swamp land ... and there's a bridge in Brooklyn I want to sell you."

Valentine Luncheon For Seniors

Greenbriar will hold a Valentine Luncheon for seniors on Tuesday, February 13 at noon in the Greenbriar Terrace Room.

Greenbriar/Glen Oaks seniors and a guest are invited for good food, good company and a good time. This is a free event but please RSVP to 301-441-1096 by Friday, February 9.

Learn How Beavers Create Own Habitat

A program on beavers will be held for children 8 to 12 at the Patuxent Refuge on Friday, Feb. 9, from 2 to 3 p.m. Advance registration is required; call 301-497-5887. The program will take place at the North Tract, located on Route 198 between the B-W Parkway and Route 32.

Channel B-10 Schedule Greenbelt Municipal/Public Access TV MUNICIPAL ACCESS-301-474-8000

Tuesday & Thursday, February 6 & 8

6:00pm "Perils for Pedestrians"
6:30pm "ACE Reading Program"
7:00pm "Zero Tolerance for Unbuckled Kids"
7:30pm "The Audrey Scott Show"

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Wednesday & Friday, February 7 & 9

7:00pm "Comicon Animation"
7:30pm "The New Deal Café"
8:00pm "Public Safety"

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After-School Drop-In Art Classes for Kids

Three after-school drop-in art classes for children will begin in February. The ceramics program in the children's ceramics studio will start on Tuesday, February 6, and run from 3 to 6 p.m. in the children's art room. This is a drop-in program for children ages 5 to 12. No registration is required, and children may come in at any time during the program and stay as long as they like. A nominal cost is payable at the door. Parents are always welcome. This is an opportunity for children to be introduced to ceramics.

A drop-in art program on Wednesdays, from 3 to 6 p.m., will feature painting, drawing and crafts for a small fee.

There is also a pre-school art drop-in class for children 2 to 5 years old and their parents/caregivers on Wednesday mornings from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

All three programs will run through early June. For more information call Barbara Simon, 301-474-2192.

Greenbelt Park Holds Open House

On Wednesday February 7, from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., and on Sunday February 11, from 2 to 3 p.m., Greenbelt Park will host an open house for teachers of grades K-12. The open house will introduce teachers to the staff, education programs and natural resources of this forested park. The open house will feature games, prizes, and giveaways. Meet at the ranger station, the "School in the Woods." For information call Kate Bucco at 202-426-6905.

Night Gardens to Be Garden Club Topic

"Planning a Fabulous Night Garden" will be outlined by Mary Kopper at the Tuesday, February 6, meeting of the Greenbelt Home and Garden Club, beginning at 7 p.m.

Further information about the program and the local garden club can be obtained from Diane Kremer, club publicity chairperson at 301-345-5356.

Genealogical Society Meets Wednesday

"World War I Draft Cards" will be the subject of speaker Cheryl Singhal at a meeting of the Prince George's County Genealogical Society on Wednesday, Feb. 7 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Greenbelt Library. A brief business meeting will precede the talk, and there will be refreshments. Guests are welcome.

Those attending should park in the rear and use the nearby entrance. For information, call 301-262-2063.

Community Events

Give Blood

The American Red Cross has been calling attention to the critical blood shortage in this area.

To help alleviate this shortage, the Greenbelt Recreation Department and the American Red Cross will conduct the next regular blood drive at the Greenbelt Community Center on Monday, February 5, between 2 and 8 p.m. All are encouraged to donate in this period of urgent need.

People should call Janet Goldberg at 301-397-2212 to make an appointment, if they have not already done so, in order to reduce the waiting time. See the Blood Drive ad at the bottom of this page as a further reminder.



Golden Age Club

by Ruth Huggins

President Bill Souser presided over the January 24 meeting. Florence Holly read an article by Eleanor Roosevelt. President Souser reminded members to pick up brochures of the week's activities.

Betty Petroff, Sunshine chair, sent notes of cheer to David Lynch and Marjorie Bevan. She also reported Betty Maher is feeling fine. Arlene Souser, from the Membership committee, welcomed new member Nancy Johnson. John Taylor, Travel chair, announced a March 22 trip to see "Hollywood Jubilee" at the Timonium Dinner Theater. Golden Agers can sign up after meetings. There is a fee.

Ernie Varda, Program chair, introduced the speaker, David Lange, who encouraged Golden Agers to volunteer at Greenbelt Elementary School. Lange introduced volunteer Mary Linstrom who tutors reading skills to second graders and described how gratifying it is to see a child improve. Lange then introduced Philip Brandis who teaches math skills to fourth graders. He said he found the children he tutors are highly motivated and the job is as rewarding to the tutor as it is to the child being tutored. After taking questions from the floor, Lange passed out volunteer applications. President Souser thanked David, Mary and Philip and said he hoped the Golden Agers would sign up as volunteers.

The February 7 meeting will be a board business meeting.

GHI Notes

There will be blood pressure testing on Wednesday, February 7 from 2 to 4 p.m. in the GHI Board Room.

The Nominations and Elections Committee will meet February 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the GHI Library.

The regular Board meetings will be held February 8 and 22 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room. Members are encouraged to attend.

Join Astronomy Club At Stargazing Party

The planets Jupiter and Saturn are at their most spectacular appearance in a decade. The Greenbelt Astronomy Club would like to share their splendor on Saturday, February 3. If skies are clear, the club will be observing from 6 p.m. until approximately 11 p.m. at Northway Ball Fields, at the end of Northway, extended. Club members will be on hand with a variety of telescopes and binoculars to share views of the planet Jupiter with its moons, Saturn with its rings, and a bright shiny moon. The event is free and open to the public. Since this event is dedicated to observing the night sky, observing will not be held if skies are mostly cloudy or if there are high winds and extremely low temperatures.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Greenbelt Astronomy Club will be Thursday, February 22, 7:30 p.m. at the H. B. Owens Science Center, 9601 Greenbelt Rd., Lanham. The topic will be the design and construction of the club's large reflecting telescope.

Explore Panama

On February 9, the Explorations Unlimited program will hear from Dr. Donald H. Messersmith, a retired University of Maryland professor and world traveler, about his two trips to Panama in Central America. Messersmith's slide illustrated talk will focus on the birds and flowers as well as other aspects of this small country that has been so closely allied to the United States because of the Panama Canal which bisects the country. Exotic birds and flowers, as well as cities, forest landscapes, the Canal, and the colorful Cuna Indians now living in the San Blas Islands will be shown. On his previous visits to Greenbelt, Dr. Messersmith has spoken on other trips to China, Antarctica, South America and Eastern Australia.

"Explorations Unlimited" is a speaker series held every Friday from 1 to 3 p.m., at the Greenbelt Community Center. This presentation will be held in the Senior Classroom. Everyone is welcome to attend and questions are always encouraged. Call 301-397-2208 for more information.

At the Library

Children's Programs

Tuesday, February 6, 7 p.m. Cliffhangers for ages 5 to 8.

Thursday, February 8, 10:15 a.m. Drop-In Storytime for ages 3 to 5.

11:15 a.m. Toddler Time for two-year-olds and parent or caregiver.

Adult Programs

Saturday, February 10, 10:30 a.m. Poetry Plus workshop for adults.

The exhibit in the display case for February is of hooked rugs by the Montpelier Cultural Arts Center senior citizens.

Caregivers to Meet

The Caregiver Support Group will meet Tuesday, February 6 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. for caregivers to share experiences, vent frustrations, acquire knowledge and develop practical coping skills. The meeting is open to the community and will be held in the Greenbelt Adult Care Center, 15 Crescent Road.

Respite care will be available during the meeting and light refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Beverly Long at 301-507-6590.

Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club Soccer Season Registration



Register for the Spring Soccer Season at the Greenbelt Youth Center
Saturday, February 10th 10 to noon.
Practices begin in February. Season starts March 10th.

For more information and future registration dates call 301-794-0100.

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Monday, February 5, 2001

2:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Location: Greenbelt Community Center
15 Crescent Road

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Artful Afternoon Is Sunday, February 4

On Sunday, February 4, the Greenbelt Recreation Department will host another Artful Afternoon from noon until 5 p.m. All ages are welcome, and programs are free.

Featured elements for February include a reception for the exhibit Exploring Color and Light: Paintings by Ellen Baer from noon to 1:30 p.m. Baer will talk about her work at 1 p.m. At 1:30 there will be a jazz concert with pianist Harry Appelman and bassist Eric Harper. Artist in Residence Betty Broderick will offer a stained glass demonstration at 2:30, after which children are invited to make cheerful sun catchers at 3. Materials will be provided.

Baer is a local painter who is also the arts assistant for the Greenbelt Department of Recreation. She describes her work as abstract expressionist. "My work is about color. I love mixing colors, and I also like to put colors side by side and see how they play off each other." She has been influenced by the abstract expressionist painters and associates her work with that of surrealists. "In my work I try to bridge both the conscious and unconscious worlds through free association."

Featured musician Harry Appelman has toured the United States and Canada with the orchestras of Woody Herman and Artie Shaw. He currently performs at such venues as Blues Alley, One Step Down, Wolf Trap, and the Corcoran Museum concert series.

Visit Studios

Every Artful Afternoon offers guests the opportunity to visit the studios of the Community Center Artists in Residence on the second floor, from noon to 5. Visitors will find resident artists at work on new and interesting projects. For instance, Dan Kennedy is working on a mural on the theme of community values for the Largo-Kettering post office. The completed mural will measure 9 feet by 9 feet and will depict aspects of the past, present, and future of Prince George's County. Elizabeth Morissette, a weaver, makes art and recycles by weaving plastic shopping bags into beach bags, totes, and men's wallets. These are on sale in her studio. Community members are encouraged to bring in their own art work, as well, for an open-format discussion at 4 p.m.

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too close to the house and have already been severely pruned because of utility work. She reminded Wolfe that he and his neighbors would find that removing the trees would markedly change the character of the area, even with the replacement trees, which most likely will be smaller and less bushy.

In Opposition

Councilmember Rodney Roberts voted against the motion to remove the trees. Although he felt this situation different, he cited several examples of people's attempts to remove trees for dropping needles or leaves and other reasons he felt were not justified. He wanted to use this situation as a learning experiment, to try staff's solution and, if that didn't work, then to hear recommendations on replacements. Councilmember Alan Turnbull joined Roberts in the vote against the motion.

All the councilmembers praised the advisory committee on its work. Davis said, "You're doing your job." Even though the final vote didn't reflect the committee's recommendation, Davis felt that the committee had provided valuable advice considered seriously during the deliberations. Phelan also thanked them and said, "This is why I wanted a tree committee."

SHL Recreation Center

A first step—a concept plan—to add 4800 square feet to the Springhill Lake Recreation Center at a cost of about \$1.5 million was presented to the council and approved. The plan calls for the addition of a 1,000 foot multi-purpose room,

Artful Afternoons are offered on the first Sunday of every month. For information about these programs and other opportunities for artists, contact Nicole DeWald at 301-937-2208.

a conference/classroom of about the same size, extra restrooms, a weight room, and other support spaces.

The plan also calls for renovation of various spaces in the 26-year old facility to improve its safety, handicapped accessibility and condition. It's envisioned that the recreation center would then be able to offer a wide range of programs and services, including a before-and after-school program. Ten computer work stations are also planned.

The plan was presented by Joe McNeal, Community Center supervisor, and Dan Purushe of Laurel Design Alliance, which designed the expansion under a grant the city had received last year from the state. Turnbull was concerned about access by pedestrians. He wanted to be sure this concern was included specifically in the design. Davis asked that the appropriate type of bike racks be in place.

Several councilmembers questioned the need to tear down the clubhouse that stands in front of the Recreation Center. Purushe explained that the clubhouse is in poor shape and would be very costly to bring up to code. McNeal thought that the purposes served by the 200-square foot club house could be more than met by the new multi-purpose and conference rooms.

City Manager Michael McLaughlin explained that the clubhouse predated the Recreation Center. He said that it actually had been the former clubhouse for a golf course at Springhill Lake.

When asked about the funding for the Recreation Center expansion, McNeal said that the city is looking at all options, including grants. The state delegation has filed a bond bill for \$750,000, about half the cost. The city would then have to match these funds, within a given period of time. White suggested that perhaps this and other major projects could be

combined for a bond referendum. Council unanimously approved the concept plan and authorized additional design work for the exterior finishes.

Red Light Camera

At its last meeting, council approved installation of red light enforcement cameras at eight Greenbelt intersections. At this meeting council approved for first and second reading the purchase of this equipment, and its installation, from the Electronic Data Systems Corporation of Columbia, Maryland; DJR, Inc. of Glenelg, Maryland and Traffipax, Inc. of Columbia, Maryland. It's expected that the equipment will be in place and operating by the end of March.

Compensation Study

Council authorized the city manager to contract with Hendricks & Associates to conduct a classification and payscale study for \$19,995. Hendricks will review the staff work completed to date, review the pay plan, classification and benefits of city employees, and make recommendations. In answer to a question from Davis, McLaughlin said that the study would be completed by April. This compensation study has been long-awaited to respond to concerns that Greenbelt employees are being compensated appropriately and to attract and retain talented staff.

Greenbelt New Year

Joe McNeal gave a report on Greenbelt New Year to council. He said that more than 700 tickets had been sold and that from fireworks on through the evening participants had a good time. He said that the millen-

OBITUARY

Richard Ellis

Richard "Dick" Ellis, 59, died on January 25, 2001 while visiting in Lake Wales, Florida.

He was born April 13, 1941 in Port Chester, New York, and was a member of the Catholic faith. He was an optician in Greenbelt.

A member of the Loyal Order of Moose in College Park, he also enjoyed fishing and boating.

Survivors include his mother, Alice Ellis of Lake Wales, Florida, and a sister, Nancy McConkey, of Upper Marlboro.

Cremation is scheduled. Arrangements are being made by Marion Nelson Funeral Home, Lake Wales.

nium passports were popular. Over 500 of the little booklets showing 14 Greenbelt events had been passed out. He explained that passport holders need to have 12 out of 14 stamps to be eligible for prizes at the end of the year.

McNeal credited the many volunteers, including entertainment chair Patti Brothers, who worked the event with a broken foot. Davis thanked the committee and added that she had heard many good reports about the overall event and the entertainment.



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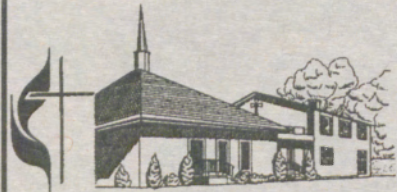
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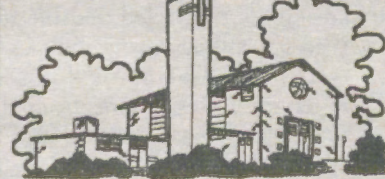
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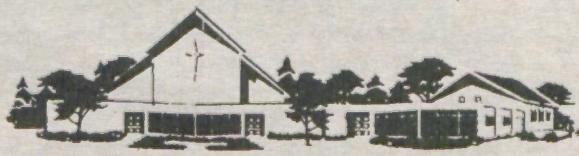
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The Guys in Ties, one of the bands that have agreed to donate a concert appearance to benefit the New Deal Café.

-photo by Ben Kepler

New Deal Café Looks For a New New Deal

by Dorothy Sucher

Terri Rutledge looked tired. And no wonder — the attractive, soft-spoken manager of the beleaguered New Deal Café was only taking orders from customers with her usual thoughtfulness, attempting to train youthful staff members while knowing full well they'd be heading back to school as soon as the new semester started, wrestling with some kind of paperwork, and keeping an eye on her young daughter, who was curled up on the sofa. And Terri's beautiful new refrigerated sandwich table, instead of speeding up service as expected, had broken down. Now she had to throw out cheese.

Terri, formerly a volunteer at the cafe and then a board member, is now the cafe's paid (theoretically, anyway) manager, and the person who knows more than anybody about the

New Deal's day-to-day operations. But today she was tired. And here came that pesky News Review reporter again, this time asking about her wish list for the cafe.

"You mean, aside from money?"

"Well, sure. Money's at the top of the list. Maybe there's an angel out there, a potential patron, somebody who appreciates a good cafe, like Hemingway. Remember his story, 'A Clean, Well-Lighted Place'? In Greenbelt, you never know. What next?"

"A professional grill in the kitchen," she replied promptly. "Ducting and insulation." A young woman emerged from the kitchen who, as it happened, had been researching grills on the internet. She'd found a used one for \$350, but that didn't include the ductwork, of course. The cost of a new one? "Out of sight."

"What else?" the reporter persisted, as if her pockets were overflowing with grills and large checks.

Terri sighed. "A few more mature people who want to volunteer behind the counter. Older people I can rely on." A tall, white-haired gentleman appeared from the kitchen. "Like him."

The reporter asked the gentleman, "Why do you volunteer at the cafe?"

"I don't know. I like it."

"What do you like about it?"

"I don't know. I just like it."

"Okay. So, Terri, is that it?"

"We need someone to help schedule the musicians. Someone with contacts in the music scene. We have a scheduler, but we could use more help."

Terri's wish list ended here. Probably she could have made it longer if she hadn't been tired.

Anyone out there? Call Earl Kepler at 301-345-2670.

Recreation Review

On January 23 the Recreation Department held a Kids Quickie program at the Youth Center. Participants spent an hour working on several projects, but the main artistic venture was a 4" x 6" puzzle piece picture frame.

On February 12, a Valentine's Day cookie baking Kids Quickie will be held from 4:15 to 5:15 p.m. at the Youth Center. Kids ages 5 to 11 can make and decorate special cookies to share. There is a nominal fee, and registration prior to the day of the event is

required. Call 301-397-2200 for more information.

Spring Camp and Arts & Action Camp registration forms are coming. These one week camps will be offered April 9 to 13, when Prince George's County schools are out for spring recess. Registration will begin on Thursday, February 1 at the Youth Center and Community Center. Each of these programs has extended care hours available at a supplemental cost to the regular camp fee.

It's the time of year when

bad weather can be expected, so be sure to call the Recreation Department's Weather and Information hotline for updates on class cancellations and delays at 301-474-5525.

CAFE

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New Deal must pay rent to the City of Greenbelt. Back rent now owing for use of the kitchen is reported to total around \$9,000. Aside from the financial drain, cooking in two places can be a logistical nightmare.

The purchase and installation of professional cooking equipment, together with the necessary ductwork and installation, is an important goal of the New Deal Café — but an expensive one. A significant step toward improving the efficiency of the kitchen was made recently with the purchase of a refrigerated sandwich table, which should have helped speed up service. Unfortunately, it broke down soon after being installed.

Musicians Rally Round

As for fundraising, musicians who have performed at the New Deal have already offered to help. Kepler is planning a series of benefit concerts during March and April, and he is hoping to obtain the use of the

Greenbelt movie theater. "It has a nice big stage," he said. "And I think we can fill the house. Scott Laird, the orchestra director at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, has agreed to appear with Jim Maher's group Stillwater." Laird, who has published a CD, is an electric-violin virtuoso.

Knockout Girl Singer

The group Guys in Ties, led by Ben Kepler and Joe Pugliese, will also be appearing with their new vocalist Shannon Fratanduno, described by Earl Kepler as a "girl singer who's a knockout. She sounds kind of like Aretha Franklin — she can really grind it out!"

Kepler hopes to do three fundraisers during the cold months. When the weather improves, the café will resume its outdoor concerts. These are free, but they increase business at the café.

Kepler summed up the board's plans, as follows. "Our goal is to clear out the debt and turn our kitchen into a well-equipped, certified kitchen. If we can survive until June, we think we can do it."

For further information, call Earl Kepler at 301-345-2670.

Learn about Hearing Loss Awareness

The February 8 meeting of the Prince George's County group, Self-Help for Hard of Hearing People, has as the focus Hearing Loss Awareness. Frequently have to ask others to repeat information? Turning up the volume on the TV? Have trouble hearing in a noisy environment and/or women's and children's voices? Maybe just a nudge is

needed to recognize and do something about this problem. Why not join the Prince George's County Group on February 8, 2 to 4 p.m., at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, to find out where to begin the process of hearing better.

For information or directions, call 301-474-0345.



Advisory Planning Board

Wednesday, February 7, 2001

7:30 PM

Greenbelt Community Center

Theater Rehearsal Room

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes—12/06/00
4. Revision of Site Plan (Special Exception)—Doctor's Hospital
5. Trails Plan

If you cannot attend the meeting, please contact the Department of Planning and Community Development at (301) 345-5417.



City Council Meetings & Work Sessions February 2001

Meeting

Date

Time

Governor's Staff Meeting on Metroland (Annapolis) (closed)	Thurs. 02/01	7:00 p.m.
Stakeholder Meeting - Golden Triangle	Mon. 02/05	8:00 p.m.
Stakeholder Meeting - Beltsville Agric. Research Center (CC)	Wed. 02/07	8:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting	Mon. 02/12	8:00 p.m.
Work Session - TBA (CC)	Wed. 02/14	8:00 p.m.
No Meeting (Presidents' Day- holiday)	Mon. 02/19	
Mid-Term Legislative Dinner (Annapolis)	Tues. 02/20	6:30 p.m.
Work Session - City Goals (CC)	Wed. 02/21	8:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting	Mon. 02/26	8:00 p.m.
Work Session - TBA (CC)	Wed. 02/28	8:00 p.m.

This is a tentative schedule and is subject to change. Regular meetings and work sessions are open to the public. Executive Sessions are closed. If special accommodations are required to make this meeting accessible to any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 or 301-474-2046 (TDD) before 10:00 a.m. on the day of the meeting. Unless otherwise noted, meetings will be held in the Council Room of the Municipal Building at 25 Crescent Rd.. Meetings marked "CC" will be held in the Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.

Check out the City of Greenbelt Web site at www.ci.greenbelt.md.us.

Kathleen Gallagher
City Clerk



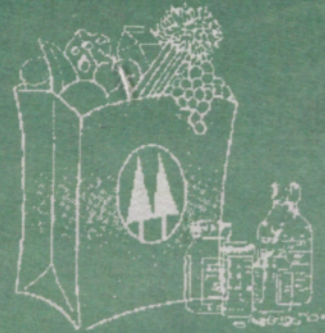
CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS City of Greenbelt Gateway Project

The City of Greenbelt is seeking Proposals from individuals and/or firms interested in developing design guidelines and details for a citywide gateway/entrance program, and designing a gateway for the Southway entrance to the City. The purposes of the gateway project are to identify a design that, when implemented, will communicate that one is entering or within historic Greenbelt, and to provide a plan that will upgrade the physical and visual condition of an entranceway to the City. This project will be funded through a \$5,000 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).

Interested parties may submit a proposal outlining scope of work, schedule, deliverables, relevant experience and fee to the City of Greenbelt. Proposals will be accepted until Friday, February 16, 2001 at 2 p.m. For more information, please contact the City of Greenbelt at 301-345-5417.

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Best Yet Jumbo Buttermilk Biscuits	79¢ 16 oz.	Stella Swiss Cheese

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Mardi Gras Paper Towels	59¢ 56 sheets	Betty Crocker Brownie Mix Fudge-Dark Chocolate	49¢ 10 1/4 oz. pouch	Arm & Hammer Value Size Liq. Laundry Detergent
Rainbow Tagless Tea Bags	89¢ 100 pk.	Reese's Peanut Butter	\$1⁵⁹ 18 oz.	Contadina Tomato Paste
Soft & Gentle Double Roll Bathroom Tissue	\$1³⁹ 4 Roll pk.	Maier's Sliced Italian Bread	99¢ 20 oz.	Libby Yellow Corn- Sweet Peas- Cut/French Green Beans
Lucky Leaf Cherry Pie Filling Original-Lite	\$1¹⁹ 20-21 oz.	Ocean Spray Mauna Lai Fruit Juice Drinks	\$1⁷⁹ 64 oz.	Seafresh Solid White Tuna
Contadina Stewed-or- Diced Tomatoes	59¢ 14.5 oz.	Utz Pretzels All Varieties	\$1⁴⁹ 15 oz.	Sun Maid Seedless Raisins
		Best Yet Original Macaroni & Cheese Dinner	29¢ 7 1/4 oz.	
X-tra Value Size Powdered Laundry Detergent	\$2¹⁹ 96 oz.	Betty Crocker Blueberry Muffin Mix	49¢ 6.5 oz.	Doritos Corn Chips Assorted Varieties
4-C Bread Crumbs	99¢ 15 oz.	Carnation Regular Hot Cocoa Mix	\$1¹⁹ 10 pk.	Kid's Kitchen Microwave Meals
Rainbow White Paper Plates	1²⁹ 150 pk.	Rich-Milk Chocolate- Mini Marshmallow	99¢ 7.5 oz.	Nabisco Nilla Wafers
Betty Crocker Pancake Mix Original- Buttermilk	29¢ 6 oz.	Empire Richly Scented Decorator Candles Assorted Scents	\$6⁹⁹ 23 oz.	Kellogg's Pop Tarts Assorted Varieties

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Utz Potato Chips	99¢ 5.5 oz.	3-pack

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Sunkist 56 Size Navel Oranges	Nature's Finest Carrots	49¢ 1 pound bag
3/\$1 ⁰⁰	Idaho Potatoes	\$1³⁹ 5 lb. bag
Thompson Seedless White GRapes	Fresh Cauliflower	\$1⁹⁹ head
Red-or-Golden Delicious Apples	Nature's Finest American Salad Mix	\$1⁸⁹ 14 oz.
Anjou Pears	Whole Mushrooms	\$1²⁹ 8 oz.
Juicy Tangerines		499¢

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Swanson Original Kids Dinners Assorted Varieties	\$1²⁹ 7-13 oz.
Hanover Petite Shoepg Corn- Sweet Peas- Green Beans	99¢ 16 oz.
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Oh Boy Baked Potatoes	99¢ 10 oz.

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Forest Glen Wines	\$8⁹⁹ 750 ml.
Schaefer Beef	\$2⁴⁹ 6 pk.-12 oz. cans
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ACE & PTAS

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These would include music and language transfers. He noted that a study of transfers a few years ago showed that of 1,200 approved high school transfers, 700 were for Roosevelt. The PTSA is concerned that some of these programs depend on transfers to remain viable.

Next fall, due to boundary changes a number of students who would have been incoming ERHS freshmen and sophomores will attend Duval instead. This was planned to help alleviate crowding also. (The school is at approximately 160 percent of capacity.) However, with the exodus of these students to a school closer to their homes, the school system wants to remove a large number of the temporary classrooms, leaving the school as overcrowded as before. Elliott also feels that a reduction in teachers will be next.

Elliott stated that Dr. Eleanor White, the Prince George's County school system's Executive Director for Region II (which includes Greenbelt) attended the January 16 ERHS PTSA meeting. Elliott mentioned that White indicated that she agrees with their concerns, but that ERHS is not the only crowded school. It appears that the temporary classrooms are to be moved to Bowie to help house the Bladensburg students who will be moved to a location in Bowie while their school is being rebuilt. The ERHS PTSA proposes that unused space at the new Flowers High School be used for the Bladensburg students and the temporary classrooms remain at ERHS.

PTA Participation

Next, Raquel Ovalles, president of the PTA at Springhill Lake Elementary School, dis-

cussed the perennial problem of lack of PTA participation. "How do you get parents to come to the PTA meeting," she asked. Ovalles commented that "the teachers are so committed, always there after the time they're supposed to be there." Marsha Jones, president of Magnolia Elementary PTA, stated that their PTA participation has been down this year also, even though they often send home notices in Korean and Spanish as well as English. There was a general consensus that language problems among parents may play a role in parents not feeling comfortable attending PTA meetings. Jones suggested that PTAs try a classroom incentive program where the class that has the most parents attending a meeting might get an ice cream social or other treat.

Boundary Changes

Boundary changes have already been set for high schools. However changes are not yet set in stone for elementary schools. Mach indicated that Jim Henderson, Greenbelt's school board representative told ACE that no elementary school boundary decisions would be made without community input. Becky Roper,

PTA president at Greenbelt Elementary, stated that their school has already had significant decreases in students due to a significant number of Landover families being forced to move by the end of 2000. These decreases may affect the funding and staffing next fall at the school. There was a comment that last summer's last minute budget cuts hurt each school's faculty greatly. Jones indicated, for example, that Magnolia has no staff working in the school library.

City Help

Mach asked the PTAs to think how the city might be able to assist the schools if, in the future, there were funds available. The first response was "more teachers." However, that is probably not feasible. Among other suggestions was the possibility of help with busing students who live slightly closer than the 1.5 miles that forms the boundary for walking/riding. There has always been concern that the distance is too far for kindergartners and young students to walk. The comment was made that partially empty buses go right by the walkers, why can't they stop.

Roper mentioned the need for

Don Griffin Shows Multi-Media Art

The Montpelier Cultural Arts Center in Laurel is offering new work by multi-media artist Don Griffin in the Center's upstairs library gallery from February 4 through March 26.

more crossing guards for Greenbelt Elementary and for a sign to show drivers where the school is located. Ovalles mentioned the need for an after-school program.

Children Are Invited To a Valentine Party

Greenbriar will hold a children's Valentine Party on Saturday, February 10 at 3 p.m. in the Greenbriar Terrace Room.

Greenbriar/Glen Oaks children from toddlers to 12 years of age are invited to the Terrace Room to design and make their own valentines. There will be a drawing for door prizes. Refreshments will be served. This is a free event, but call 301-441-1096 by Wednesday, February 7 to register children.



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PRELIMINARY AGENDA MEETING OF GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS Thursday, February 7, 2001 GHI Board Room



Key Agenda Items

- a) Community Beautification Program
- b) Review of Editor's Duties - GHI Communicator
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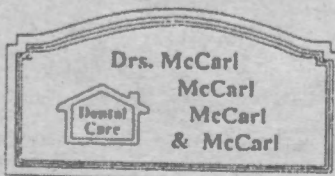
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POLICE BLOTTER

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department. Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Armed Robbery

Jeeppers! at Beltway Plaza Mall, Jan. 20, 9:03 p.m., a cashier was approached by a person who pushed her aside and began to remove money from the register. While taking the money, the robber displayed a long knife-type object. The robber then fled. The robber is believed to be a former employee, and investigation is continuing.

Assault

200 block of Lakeside Drive, Jan. 23, 10:03 p.m., a 35-year-old male resident was arrested and charged with three counts of assault, disorderly conduct, and resisting arrest. Officers responded to a report of a domestic dispute. One of the participants wanted to leave the residence. As officers escorted her out of the apartment, the other person ran out of the residence, shouting at the officers and threatening to assault them. The man then assaulted the officers and resisted attempts to place him under arrest. He was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Preucil Plays at UM

Violinist William Preucil will make his University of Maryland campus debut at the "Artist-in-Residence" recital in the Gildenhorn Recital Hall, Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center in College Park. The recital will be

Burglary and Theft

Burlington Coat Factory in Beltway Plaza Mall, Jan. 19, 5:14 p.m., an unattended jacket was taken. 7200 block of Mathew Street, Jan. 19, 5:29 p.m., entry was gained by kicking in the front door. At the time of the weekly police report it was unknown if anything was taken.

7700 block of Hanover Parkway, Jan. 22, 2:47 p.m., two portable radios, CDs, and jewelry were taken. Entry was gained by forcing open a bedroom window.

9300 block of Edmonston Road, Jan. 22, 4:45 p.m., a personal computer, VCR, two wristwatches, and jewelry were taken. Entry was gained by breaking out a bedroom window.

9100 block of Edmonston Court, Jan. 23, 12:08 p.m., a 22-year-old male nonresident was arrested and charged with burglary, possession of a concealed deadly weapon, and possession of paraphernalia. Officers responded to a report of a person inside a vacant apartment. The person was located and found to be in possession of a knife and paraphernalia commonly used to store marijuana. He was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a

held on Tuesday, February 6 at 12:30 p.m.

The recital is free and will feature the works of Locatelli-Ysaye, Paulus and Strauss and include Arthur Rowe on the piano. For more information, call 301-405-7847.

district court commissioner.

The Hardware Store, Beltway Plaza Mall, Jan. 24, 9:05 a.m., a report was received of an employee locker being broken into. A purse and wallet were taken.

Vandalism

8000 block of Mandan Road, Jan. 22, 12:43 p.m., two 14-year-old residents were arrested for vandalism. The youths were observed breaking two five-gallon water bottles on the patio of a residence. The youths were detained by the victim. Both were released to school administrators at Eleanor Roosevelt High School pending action by the school board and the

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7600 block of Ora Glen Drive, Jan. 23, 6:21 a.m., entry into a vacant commercial building was gained and the building was vandalized.

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Penn Mar Shop. Ctr. (Burlington), Forestville 9:10 am
Greenway Shopping Ctr., Greenbelt, MD 9:30 am
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Thursday

Charles Town Races & Slots (Charlestown, West Virginia)

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Clinton Park (K-Mart) 8:15 am 6:30 pm**
Rosecroft Shopping Ctr. 8:30 am 6:45 pm**
Rivertowne Shopping Ctr. 8:45 am 7:00 pm**
Penn Mar (Burlington) 9:10 am 7:25 pm**
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Boys and Girls Club Basketball News

by Coach Doug Mangum

Intramurals games at the Greenbelt Youth Center are Saturday, February 3, 9 a.m., Terps versus Eagles, 10:15 a.m. Manticores versus Lakers.

County games are at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center Saturday, February 3 starting at 11 a.m. with the 15 & under team playing host to Fort Washington. At noon, the 14 & unders will be hosting Andrews A.F.B. Then the 13 & under A team closes the day out at 1 p.m. against Clinton.

Also playing this weekend will be the 16 & unders, February 3 at Forestville High School at 11:30 a.m. challenging Bradbury Heights. The 12 & unders will be playing at Kettering Middle School at noon versus Kettering. On Sunday, February 4, at 3 p.m. at Rolling Crest Community Center the 13 & under AA team competes against Kettering also. Then the 11 & unders play Riverdale at William Wirt Middle School on Monday, February 5.

Best of luck to all our squads this week and each of the following weeks. The club will try to continue to inform the community of future club activities as they progress through the 2000-2001 basketball season. See you in court.



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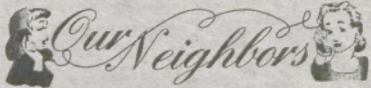
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Greenbelters were saddened to hear of the death of Greenbelt optician Richard (Dick) Ellis.

Our sympathy to News Review staffer Linda Paul on the death of her sister.

Former longtime Greenbelt resident Robert Nuzzo, now of Kenosha, Wisconsin, has become director of labor relations for Martin Petersen Co., where he was formerly president and owner of the heating, ventilation and air conditioning contractor. He retired in 1998 but recently returned to the company, his mother, Lorraine Nuzzo, tells the News Review. Robert attended St. Hugh's for eight years, Dematha High School, and the University of Maryland. Old friends may contact Mrs. Nuzzo c/o Harmony Home, 3109 30th Avenue, Kenosha, WI 53144.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Frank Dorsey of 49 court Ridge Road, now home from the

hospital and on the mend following back surgery.

Congratulations to Pfc. Vincent W. Davis, a 2000 graduate of Eleanor Roosevelt High School, on completion of basic training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C. Davis is the son of Belinda Vasquez of Greenbelt.

There is local pride in knowing that the Baltimore Ravens' 84-yard point return for yet another touchdown in Sunday's Super Bowl was run by Jemaine Lewis, former player for the University of Maryland and — even more important

— a 1992 graduate of and player for Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

Martha Kaufman, 45 Court Ridge Road, is featured on the cover of the spring issue of the Senior Citizen Bulletin of Prince George's Community College. With her is Kaufman's friend Julia Gerry.

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Learn to Ice Skate or Play Ice Hockey in the Great Outdoors

Schedule of Public Skating Sessions

Day	Time
Monday	12:00-2:15pm* 2:30-4:30pm*
Tuesday	12:00-2:15pm* 2:30-4:30pm*
Wednesday	12:00-2:15pm* 3:00-5:00pm* 7:00-9:00pm*
Thursday	12:00-2:15pm* 7:30-9:30pm*▲
Friday	9:00-11:00am □ 12:00-2:15pm* 3:00-5:00pm* 7:00-10:00pm★
Saturday	2:00-4:00pm 4:30-6:30pm 7:00-9:00pm
Sunday	10:30am-12:30pm* 1:00-3:00pm 3:30-5:30pm 7:00-9:00pm !

▲ Adult Night only - Must be 18 years or over.

★ DJ Night - Admission is \$8.00 and includes a DJ. Skate rental is free.

(No Group Rates or Multi-Skate Cards accepted).

□ Home school only. Admission is \$3.00, includes free skate rental.

! Sunday is Family Night-up to four children free with a paying Mom or Dad (does not include skate rental)

*Super Saver fee is \$5.00 per person/per session. Includes admission and skate rental. Does not include holidays or holiday schedule and may not be available at all sessions.

ADMISSION FEES

	PG/Mont Resident	Non Resident
Adults	\$5.00	\$6.00
Children (17& under)	\$4.00	\$5.00
Senior Citizens(60&up)	\$4.00	\$5.00
Skate Rental	\$4.00	\$4.00
Ice Rental (per hour)	\$195.00	\$235.00

GROUP RATES

Advanced Reservations and payment required.

PG/Montgomery Co. residents \$5.00

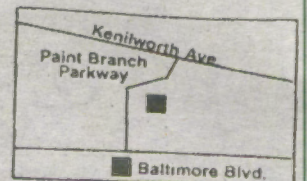
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Includes admission and skates (not available DJ Night)

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Tired of spending your lunch time at a fast food restaurant, or sitting at work? Come to Wells Ice Rink and enjoy our lunch time special. Just \$3.00 per person, per session Monday through Friday between 12:00-1:00pm or 1:15-2:15 pm. Includes skate rental and admission.

**Friday, February 2nd
Ground Hog Day Special.**
*Will spring come early or late? You decide our fate...
Tell us if it will be cold or will the sun finally break through and take hold. Only \$3.00 per person, per session. Ice skate from 12-2:15, 3:00 - 5:00 pm or 7:00 - 10:00 pm.*



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